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EXAMINER

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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

KEREN ET AL.

Examiner

Amanda F. Wiekert

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 28 November 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 49-51 and 59-111 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 49-51, 59-111 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Status of Application

1. Applicant's amendment dated 28 November 2005 has been received and entered into the application; however, an action on the merits has not been provided due to defects in Applicant's response.

In Applicant's amendment, claims 49-51 were amended, and new claims 59-111 were added. Applicant's remarks (page 8-9) attempt to provide support for the newly added subject matter. Applicant's listing of page and paragraph numbers to identify portions of the specification that provide such support is unclear and inaccurate. For example, on page 8 Applicant cites "page 11, paragraph 22" as providing support for claims 59 and 84, however the cited text actually appears in paragraph 24. As another example, on page 8 Applicant cites "page 13, paragraph 24" as also providing support for claims 59 and 84, however the cited text actually appears in paragraph 26.

Due to the large number of claims added, and the large number of paragraphs cited incorrectly, the examiner is unable to clearly examine the newly added claims because it is impossible to determine where Applicant asserts support to be found in the specification.

Accompanying this communication are the five versions of the Specification and amendments to the Specification present in the case. As noted in the Office Action dated 07 January 2005, the Specification amendments filed on 28 September 2004 include incorrect paragraph numbers.

In response to this communication Applicant is required to submit a supplemental response, clearly identifying where in the Specification support can be found for any claim

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amendments or newly added claims, citing accurate reference and page numbers. Applicant is reminded not to add new matter.

2. The claims are objected to for lacking clear antecedent basis in the specification.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Amanda F. Wieker whose telephone number is 571-272-4794. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday, 7:30 - 5:00 and alternate Fridays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Henry Bennett can be reached on 571-272-4791. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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